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Roadblock to Hongalli pipeline works cleared

MP Pratap Simha speaks to Belagola villagers; assures them their share of water

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (RKB&BCT)- The roadblock to lay a pipeline from Hongalli drinking water pumping station to Central Service Reservoir (CSR) at Vijayanagar Second Stage has been cleared by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha after he spoke to Belagola villagers this morning while inspecting the project along with engineers and officials.

The villagers were demanding their share of water as the pipeline passed through their village to supply water from Krishna Raja Sagar Reservoir. The project has been taken up under the funds that have been released by the Centre under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme. Rs. 156 crore (with contributions from State and Mysuru City Corporation - MCC) has been released by the Centre and works are being taken up in four packages.

Belagola villagers convinced

The pipeline work had already started and 20 metres was contentious as Belagola villagers were demanding water. On an inspection of the scheme this morning, MP Pratap Simha spoke to Belagola Gram Panchayat President Manjula over phone and a few Gram Panchayat members who had gathered at the place.

The GP members were demanding two points in the pipeline to supply water to their village that solely depends on borewells and water tankers for their drinking water needs. They had threatened to stall the project if their demands were not met. Pratap Simha said that he would get one point fixed to supply water to Belagola village and would direct the engineers to modify the pipeline works to enable the supply of water to Belagola.

First in the State

The Central Service Reservoir has been constructed under the first package of AMRUT Scheme and can store up to 2 crore 70 lakh litres of water — a first in the State.

Though the construction had been completed, there was no water supply as Belagola villagers had objected. Now that the roadblock is clear, the 20-metre pipeline works will be completed and 26 MLD (Million Litres per Day) water can be stored.

The Reservoir can supply drinking water to 19 Wards of MCC, 16 in Chamaraja Constituency, two in Chamundeshwari and one in NR Constituency.

Once commissioned, residents of areas including Vijayanagar First, Second, Third Stage, Saraswathipuram, Gokulam, Hootagalli and BEML Layout will get water daily.

(See HONGALLI on page 6)

To Our Readers

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Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	667
Total positive cases	:	19,353
Discharges yesterday	:	161
Total discharges	:	13,092
Deaths yesterday	:	11
Total deaths	:	467
Total active cases	:	5,794

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 3rd September 2020

'Pratibha Puraskar'

for children of construction workers

Mysuru, Sept. 3- Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, will be presenting 'Pratibha Puraskar' to the children of construction workers who have excelled and scored 70% and above in the 10th standard and 2nd year PUC examinations conducted in 2020.

The deserving children of construction workers in and around Mysuru may apply by furnishing a copy of marks card, passport size photograph, Labour Card photocopy / letter from the employer, correspondence address along with contact phone number, before Sept. 10 to the following address:

Builders' Association of India, Mysuru Centre, No. 34/D, Akkamahadevi Road, Vishweshwaranagar, 2nd Stage, Industrial Suburb, Mysuru - 570008.

The date of the felicitation function to be held at MBCT auditorium in city will be informed later.

For details, contact the Centre on Ph: 0821-2483333 between the working hours (10.30 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 6.30 pm) or G. Ashok on Mob: 94480-61112 or R. Ravi on Mob: 94483-42516, according to a press release.

Subsidy to farmers

Mysuru, Aug. 3- Under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (2020-21), for implementation of water collection unit programme, Horticulture Department has invited applications from farmers.

Horticulture Department is providing 50 percent subsidy of up to maximum Rs. 5 lakh for each beneficiary for construction of below ground level 4,000, 6,000 and 8,000 cubic metre (individual or community) water collection units. Beneficiary should compulsorily cultivate horticulture crops in a minimum of 1 hectare of land for 4,000 cubic metre, in 2 hectares for 6,000 cubic metre and in 4 hectares for 8,000 cubic metre, water collection units.

Department is providing 50 percent subsidy of up to maximum Rs. 7.5 lakh for each beneficiary for construction of above ground level (modular steel tank) 1,00,000, 2,00,000 and 5,00,000 litre capacity (individual or community) units.

Beneficiary should compulsorily cultivate horticulture crops in a minimum of 1 hectare of land for 1,00,000 litre, in 2 hectares for 2,00,000 litre and in 4 hectares for 5,00,000 litre water collection units.

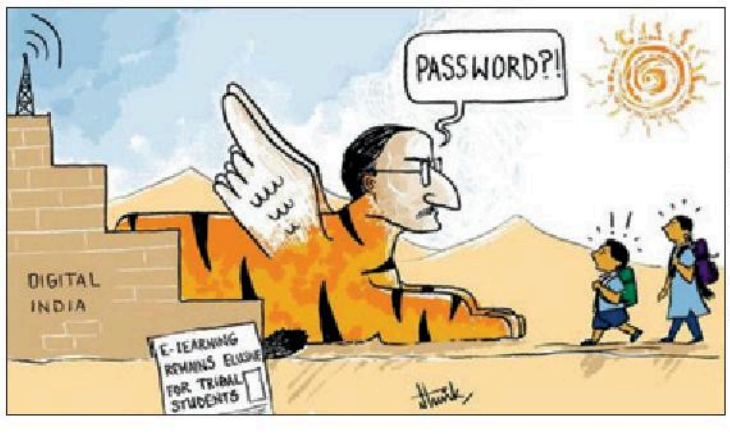
For details, contact the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, Mysuru on Ph: 0821-2430450; H.D. Kote: 08228-255262; Hunsur: 08222-252447; K.R. Nagar: 08223-262792; Nanjangud: 08221-226201; Periyapatna 08223-273535 and T. Narsipur: 08227-260086, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Sept. 3- The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Commerce to **Y.J. Kusuma Hiremath** for her thesis 'Investor Protection - A Study of Retail and Institutional Investors in Kannada' submitted under the guidance of Dr. T.S. Devaraja.

S.V. Narasimhan has been awarded Ph.D in Speech and Hearing by the UoM for his thesis 'Transformation of Speech of the Children with Hearing Loss' [Guide: Dr. N.P. Nataraja].

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE



[Courtesy: The Hindu]

NEWS SPARKLERS

Cosplay enthusiast turns cats into popular anime characters

Tokushima: A cosplay enthusiast from Tokushima in Japan has been getting a lot of attention online for his adorable collection of costume cat costumes inspired by characters in popular anime.

The talented artist, who goes by Yagyou (@YagyouNEKO) on Twitter, is the one-man-team behind one of the most adorable projects I've seen on social media in a while. After choosing a character from some of his favorite anime – he has an affinity for Studio Ghibli work- he starts working on the feline cosplay costume. He conceptualizes and designs the outfit, cuts and sews the material himself, dresses the felines and even takes the photographs himself. Looking at some of his costumes and the artistic photos he takes, it's hard to believe he does everything himself.

Most expensive sheep sold off

Texel: A lamb named Double Diamond and described by many as "genetically perfect" recently became the world's most expensive sheep, after it was sold at a whooping price of 350,000 guineas ($490,000) at a Scottish auction.

Texel sheep, originating from the tiny island of Texel, off the coast of the Netherlands, command a five-figure price at auctions. Thanks to their lean meat and wool used for hosiery yarns. But a particularly special specimen just made other Texels look cheap. Double Diamond, an outstanding lamb featuring the best genetics, had sheep breeders in the whole of the UK up in arms trying to somehow get their hands on him. Even before the Scottish National Texel sale in Lanark had started, some breeders had already partnered up to bid a higher price for Double Diamond.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What's the status of chemicals in America?

The US is now producing and importing 74 billion pounds of chemicals every day, averaging out to 250 pounds per person and that doesn't include pharmaceuticals, pesticides, fuel or food additives. The average baby is now born with 287 chemicals in their body.

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COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	245
Total positive cases	:	5,893
Total discharges	:	3,989
Total deaths	:	65
Total active cases	:	1,839

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	67
Total positive cases	:	2,482
Total discharges	:	1,913
Total deaths	:	38
Total active cases	:	520

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	25
Total positive cases	:	1,510
Total discharges	:	1,194
Total deaths	:	21
Total active cases	:	295

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	290
Total positive cases	:	8,803
Total discharges	:	5,705
Total deaths	:	192
Total active cases	:	2,906

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Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.35
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 97.66
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.97
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.63

VOICE OF THE READER

Remembering Pranab Mukherjee

File photo of former President Pranab Mukherjee releasing the digitised version of Bhavan's Journal in Bengaluru last year along with Justice M.N. Venkatachalaiah, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB) Bengaluru Kendra Chairman N. Ramanuja and BVB Mysuru Chairman Dr. A.V. Narasimha Murthy.

Sir,

I had the good fortune of meeting and sharing the platform with our late President Pranab Mukherjee twice.

First time it was at Tirupati when the book 'Gold Coins in the Srivari Hundi of Lord Sri Venkatesvara' of which I was one of the authors, was released. At that time I only garlanded him.

The second time was at Bengaluru when the digital version of Bhavan's Journal for the years 1954-2016, which was released at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Bengaluru Kendra, along with other distinguished dignitaries. I was on the dais and spoke about the digitised version of Bhavan's Journal.

In his speech, Pranab Mukherjee complimented me and others for bringing out the digitised version. May his soul rest in peace.

—Dr. A.V. Narasimha Murthy,
Resident Director, BPBIM
Mysuru
1.9.2020

No fare hike for student bus pass

Bengaluru, Sept. 3 (SSV)- Transport Minister and Deputy CM Laxman Savadi ruled out any proposal for hike in tariff of bus passes issued to students at concessional rate.

Laxman Savadi

In a press release here, he scotched off rumours of hike in bus passes tariff and also ruled out any plans to change the guidelines while issuing the concession pass. The State Government has not taken any decision in this regard. Whatever rules followed last year will be followed during the current academic year and the rate of concession will remain unchanged, the Minister added.

Applications invited for skill training at GTTC

Mysuru, Sept. 3- The Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC), Mysuru, is conducting skill development programme in which poor unemployed youth, who have passed SSLC, Diploma and BE (Mechanical) will be provided training in Turner, Miller, Grinder, Fitter, Mechanical Assembly, CNC-Turning, Milling, Grinding, CNC Programmer and Designer, Mechanical Catia, UG, Pro-E, CAD, Solidworks and Tool Room Machinist among others.

Interested candidates are requested to visit http://www.kaushalkar.com and apply before Sept. 15.

Attractive scholarships will be provided for candidates belonging to SC and ST community. Free job assistance will also be provided to all candidates on successful completion of the training.

For details, call Ph: 0821-2582750, 91416-30315, 91416-29598 or 99454-42654, according to a press release.

Two more years for Mysuru-Bengaluru 10-lane highway to be ready

Extension work of Mysore Airport runway not started yet, says MP Pratap Simha

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (RKB & SSV)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha said that work on the ambitious Mysuru-Bengaluru 10-way lane (including service roads) being taken up at a cost of Rs. 2,550 crore is expected to be completed in two years.

Pratap Simha

Speaking to media persons yesterday, the MP said that this National Highway project would provide better connectivity between two cities and help in the growth in all spheres. Continuing, he said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the 2019 Lok Sabha election rally had said that Mysuru was on par with Paris and has power to attract tourists. If tourists need to come, the connectivity has to be improved. Since then, eight new trains were introduced and Mysuru Airport became fully functional, he added.

"When I became the MP, the Mysuru Airport was defunct. Now, flights are operated to eight States. Though, the operation of flight was temporarily suspended due to Covid-19, it resumed subsequently to Chennai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru. Now, there is air connectivity to Cochin, Hyderabad, Chennai, Kalaburagi, Bengaluru, Belagavi and Goa", Simha said.

The MP said the Union Government is yet to release funds to take up the extension of runway at Mysuru Airport and the State Government has not started the land acquisition process. Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa has agreed to release Rs. 170 crore and 114 acres of land for this project, he said and added that once the funds are released, the same will be used on land acquisition and on the construction of underpass.

He said that the four lane National Highway project up to Guddehosur in Kushalnagar has been sanctioned by the Centre and added that projects worth Rs. 3120 crore has been announced. He said that Rs. 140 crore was brought from the Centre for upgrading the existing Ring Road and added that the works will begin soon.

Minister asks VCs to implement National Education Policy

Governor and Chancellor of Universities Vajubhai Vala speaking at an interactive session with VCs at Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru yesterday. Higher Education Minister and Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwath Narayan is also seen.

Bengaluru, Sept. 3 (SSV)- Higher Education Minister and Deputy CM Dr. C.N. Ashwath Narayan has asked Vice-Chancellors of all Universities to come out of inertia and work towards implementing National Education Policy (NEP).

"First you come out of the comfort zone," he said while participating in an interactive session with the VCs of all Universities in the presence of Governor and Chancellor of Universities Vajubhai R. Vala here yesterday.

Pointing out that the State Government is committed to implement NEP, the Minister said that the State Government was already making changes in administration and in legislation. A blue print is under preparation and the process of implementing NEP will begin after the receipt of a report by task force, he added.

"The proposed policy has power to change the direction of not only the State but of the nation. The role of Vice-Chancellors is very crucial and they need to prepare themselves to make it successful. We are ready to extend all facilities to all Varsities including the staff," the Minister said.

Dr. Ashwath Narayan said the Government will give a roadmap for implementing NEP in higher education and the VCs must work on that document. The Varsities will be upgraded in order to stress more on research and teaching.

Meanwhile, Governor Vajubhai Vala, pointing Bengaluru as a 'Hub of learning,' said that Karnataka was making a rapid stride in education field and Bengaluru was emerging as a hub of learning. The State capital was number one for imparting a high quality education in professional courses as well as in research works.

"I am optimistic that the Varsities will rise to the occasion in implementing NEP provided the Government provides necessary staff," he said.

A few VCs who spoke on the occasion, wanted administrative, academic and economic autonomy for the Varsities to work effectively and help in implementing NEP besides stating that there was a need for upgradation of Varsities technically.

As many as 27 VCs including VTU VC Prof. Karisiddappa attended the interactive session.

NEWS BRIEFS

Drawing contest

On the eve of Teachers Day, a water colour painting competition of late 'Bharat Ratna' Dr. Sarvapalli Radha Krishna has been organised for High School students by Brahmibhutha Sri Vasudeva Maharaja Foundation. Students can send only one entry. Entries (scanned 300dpi images) can be sent to svmfoundation2009@gmail.com before Sept. 4. Results will be announced on Sept. 5. Cash prize of Rs. 1,500, Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 500 will be given respectively. There is no entry fees. [Mob: 98451-41050]

Meritorious students

The Department of Social Welfare has invited applications from meritorious SC students who have secured first to fifth rank in Post Graduate (PG) courses at University level (2019-20) to distribute incentives. Interested candidates may download the applications online at the Department's website - sw.kar.nic.in and submit the duly filled-in application forms along with all necessary documents to the Department in Bengaluru before Nov. 30. For details, contact Office of the Joint Director of Social Welfare Department, Mysuru or Office of Assistant Directors in their respective taluks.

KSOU Exams

Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) has already announced the examination dates for BA/ B.Com students of academic years 2001-02 to 2010-11, 2013-14 to 2014-15 and 2019-20 as well as MA/ M.Com students of academic years 2001-02 to 2014-15 and 2018-19 to 2019-20. Accordingly, BA/ B.Com exams will be held from Sept. 18 and MA/M.Com exams will be held from Oct. 1 in 15 examination centres in the State. Exam timetable has already been published in KSOU website (www.ksoumysuru.ac.in). Two days before the exam date, students can download the hall tickets from the website. [Helpline Numbers - Mob: 96634-82133 or 96634-82311]

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	123.60 ft
Yesterday	123.30 ft
Inflow	9,029 cusecs
Outflow	4,114 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,282.73 ft
Inflow	2,900 cusecs
Outflow	2,125 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,856.78 ft
Inflow	910 cusecs
Outflow	1,700 cusecs

Devaraja Police crack

eight-year-old attempt to murder case

Three arrested for stabbing Tibetan youth in city, two-wheeler seized

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (KS)- Devaraja Police have cracked an eight-year-old attempt to murder case by arresting three accused on Aug. 31 besides seizing the two-wheeler used for the crime.

The arrested are 28-year-old Salim Pasha of Gandhinagar, 29-year-old Salman Pasha of N.R. Mohalla and 32-year-old Ismail Khan of Lashkar Mohalla.

During interrogation, the accused are said to have confessed of committing the crime and based on the information provided by them, the Police have seized the two-wheeler used for the crime.

The Police also came to know that the accused, after committing the crime, had fled to Bengaluru and then to Dubai and had stayed there for a few years before returning to the country.

Details: The accused on Aug. 14, 2012 had stabbed a Tibetan national identified as 23-year-old Tenzin Dhargyal with a dagger on his back, when he was walking on the roadside in Devaraja Police limits and had fled from the spot.

Devaraja Police, who had registered a case, had taken up the investigation, but the case was transferred to the City Crime Branch (CCB) as it was considered as a sensitive case. Though the CCB took up the investigation, the case was temporarily closed as the accused were not traced.

But DCP (Law and Order) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda, who took up the initiative of solving old cases, formed a special Police team led by Devaraja Inspector Prasanna Kumar to investigate the eight-year-old attempt to murder case and the Police team were successful in nabbing the accused, who had stabbed the Tibetan youth, thus solving the case.

Salim Pasha, who has been named as Accused No. 1, is a rowdy-sheeter at N.R. Police limits and has a total of five cases (kidnap and attempt to murder) registered against him at NR, Nazarbad and Udayagiri Police Stations in city.

DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda and N.R. Sub-Division ACP M.N. Shashidhar supervised NR Inspector Prasanna Kumar, Lashkar Inspector Suresh Kumar, Sub-Inspector S. Raju, Woman Sub-Inspector M.R. Leelavathi and ASI Uday Kumar and staff Somashetty, Venugopala, Suresh, R. Nandish, Pradeep, Veeresh Bagewadi, Manchanayaka, Nagaraju, Chandru, Shankaragowda Patil and Vasanthkumar in the nabbing operation, according to a press release from PRO, City Police Commissioner's Office, Mysuru.

'There is no information about drugs racket in Mysuru'

There is no information about active drugs racket in Mysuru, said DCP Dr. Prakash Gowda.

He further said that there are no clues pertaining to Bengaluru drugs mafia having links in Mysuru and added that but still, the Police officers and staff are keeping vigil over it.

Stating that there are one or two cases of peddling ganja and opium and we are taking strict steps to prevent it, the DCP further said that though there are complaints of ganja peddling near schools, colleges and a few hostels, no cases have been traced so far besides stating that there was no information about foreign students overstaying in city despite expiry of their visas.

Two kilogram gold loot and robbing elderly couple cases

Accused will be brought to book soon, says DCP

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (RK&KS)- Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda has expressed confidence of nabbing the accused involved in robbing two kilogram gold ornaments from a house at Saraswathipuram and robbing elderly couple after tying them at their house in Vivekanandanagar.

Speaking to media persons at Devaraja Police Station yesterday, the DCP said that CCTV footages pertaining to the two cases have been obtained and based on the clues, a hunt has been launched to nab the accused.

Pointing out that the investigations are going on, he said that the cases would be cracked soon.

Stating that a few suspects were interrogated in the two kilogram gold loot case at the house of one Vijaykumar at Saraswathipuram, the DCP suspected that people known to the family, relatives or professional thieves may have committed the crime which would be known only after the completion of investigation.

Speaking about the case where an elderly couple were tied in their house in Vivekanandanagar by burglars in the early hours on Monday and Rs. 15,000 cash and gold ornaments looted from the house, DCP Dr. Prakash Gowda said that the investigation was on and efforts are being made to nab the culprits soon.

He further said that night beat by Police officers and staff has been intensified in city and action has been taken to prevent chain-snatching and other crime incidents in city.

Obituary

Shivanna

Mysuru, Sept. 3- Giri Muddappana Puttananjappana Shivanna (85), retired Assistant Controller at the Weights and Measurement Department and a resident of Kuvempunagar here, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Shivakumari, sons Nagendra Swamy (Superintendent of Central Excise and Customs Department), Guruprasada (Businessman) and S. Parashivamurthy (Circle Inspector at Kutta in Kodagu), daughters S. Nagarathna and S. Manjula Devi and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his farm in Devanur in Nanjangud taluk today, according to sources.

Mohammed Samiulla

Mohammed Samiulla (57), Trustee of Central Tanzeem Ahle Sunnath-wo-Jamath Trust, Mysuru, Secretary of Masjid Khairul Wara at Rajivnagar and a resident of Mother Teresa Colony (Christian Colony) in Rajivnagar, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city.

He leaves behind his father, wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held yesterday followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds on Nanjangud-Ooty Road here, according to sources.

Plea to revive Falcon Tyres: Employees to meet CM

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Sept. 3- Caught in a desperate situation due to closure of factory since the last four years, eight months and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the employees of city-based Falcon Tyres have sent out an appeal to the State Government to revive the factory and save thousands of employees and their families from poverty.

Pushed to the wall, the harried employees of the factory have appealed to the State Government to revive the factory on the lines of the revival of the defunct Pandavapura Sahakara Sakkare Kharkhane (PSSK) at Pandavapura in Mandya district which has started production now.

If Falcon Tyres is revived, tyre production can begin in one month, the employees stated.

The appeal comes in the wake of Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa's scheduled visit to Mysuru next week to chair the Dasara High Power Committee meeting.

The factory employees are hoping to meet the Chief Minister and submit a memorandum for the revival of the factory that was once considered as a prestigious one.

Falcon Tyres shut production in December 2015 and there are over 459 permanent employees, 300 temporary staff, 150 managerial staff and over 1,000 apprentices and casual labourers.

"Eight employees have committed suicide after the factory's closure and two employees have been killed in accidents. Many of the employees have switched to other professions like masonry, painting, security jobs, vehicle drivers and autorickshaw drivers. COVID-19 has worsened the situation and we are all in dire straits," Shivanna, General Secretary, Falcon Tyres Employees Union, told *Star of Mysore.*

Mysuru-based Falcon Tyres, owned by the Ruia Group headed by Pavan Kumar Ruia, is located at Metagalli in city and has a campus of 18 acres.

"The previous H.D. Kumaraswamy and Siddharamaiah Governments had evinced keen interest in reviving the factory but nothing concrete happened despite several rounds of meetings and also a series of hunger strikes by employees. We are pinning hopes on B.S. Yediyurappa Government to save our lives," he added.

Shivanna said that many tyre manufacturing giants like CEAT, Bridgestone, Apollo and TVS have visited the factory in a bid to purchase it after a liquidator was appointed in December last year.

"We have very good and well-maintained machineries and all the allied facilities including water, power and good roads. If at all the factory is revived, we can start production in one month," he said.

The factory, established over four decades ago, was one of the largest two-wheeler tyres and tubes manufacturers in Asia. The factory slipped into downslide in 2014, before shutting down in 2015.

"The employees have not been paid salaries for years and other statutory benefits such as Provident Fund (PF), Gratuity, and Employees' State Insurance (ESI) etc. A National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Court in May 2018 had ordered the factory owner to restart the factory in six months, through an IRP (Insolvency Resolution Professional) process," Shivanna said.

For the revival, a capital of Rs. 400 crore is needed and Rs. 115 crore is needed to be paid as salaries and dues to 459 permanent employees and a bank loan of Rs. 170 crore has to be cleared, he added.

Take a virtual tour of Rail Museum

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (UNI)- Mysuru Division of South Western Railway (SWR) has joined the bandwagon to enable potential tourists and rail aficionados to explore the exhibits online.

The virtual tour of the Mysuru Rail Museum, commissioned yesterday, provides an interactive experience of the facility with voice-over that provides the visitor a detailed walk through the exhibits.

Dedicated by Pratap Simha, Mysuru-Kodagu MP, the tour enables one to discover the slew of exhibits at the Museum, which was renovated and inaugurated early this year. Visitors can enjoy a 360-degree view of the Museum on the virtual tour.

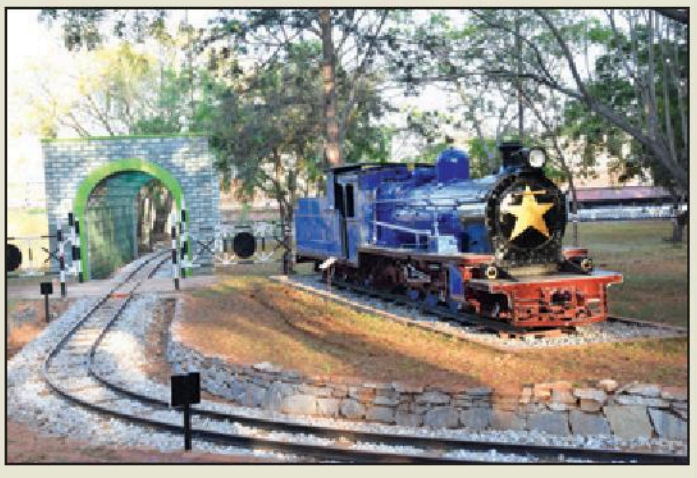
Simha said that the Museum would soon be counted among one of the leading tourist destinations in the city, along with Mysore Palace and Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Hill.

Simha was effusive in his praise of SWR, Mysuru Division, for taking the initiative to come up with projects that will turn the Museum into a prominent tourist destination.

Though the Museum reopened in June, tourist footfall is low as the travel industry is yet to regain traction due to surge in COVID-19 cases.

Hence, the authorities thought it fit to commission the virtual tour facility on its website ***https://mysururailmuseum.com***

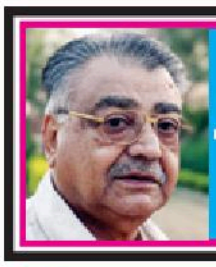
Click a selfie; win prize



Mysuru, Sept. 3 (RKB & SSV)- Mysuru's Rail Museum has started a 'Click a Selfie' competition for visitors recently and it will go on till Sept. 30.

Accordingly, those who visit the Museum can click a selfie inside the Museum and upload it on their social media profile — *Facebook, Twitter and Instagram* — using (hashtag) *#ILoveRailMuseum* and tag it on *facebook/mysururailmuseum, twitter/mysurumuseum* and *instagram/mysururailmuseum*

The best among the photographs, adjudged based on likes, shares and comments, will be awarded a prize.



Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Here cometh oilman with memories of the past

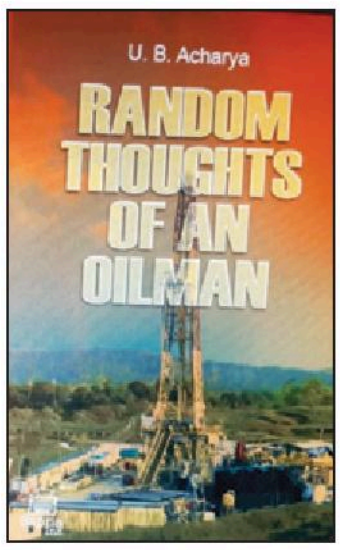
A few days back I received a book titled ***'Random Thoughts of an Oilman,'*** by U.B. Acharya, obviously the oilman — one who worked for oil companies. In these days of COVID-19 and the consequential isolation, nay quarantine, specially for aged, the book seemed a relief to pass time. Since the author's age and mine seemed to fit into a bracket, I was trying to relate my days in school, college, job etc., with his. How it was for him and for me. I found he was comparatively lucky and much brilliant in academics unlike me an average arts and law graduate.

U.B. Acharya, author

Suddenly I recalled one Magistrate, Ramachandra Rao, very bright, telling my senior in a criminal case, "Mr. Rego, it is odious to compare your child with others" and checked myself from comparing my days and my job with the author of this book. However, it just happened because we both are contemporaries — agewise. Let it be.

Now that I have finished reading the book skipping those purely technical and scientific part, which was more to satisfy his urge to make the world (his readers) know of his scholarship than of any use to the common reader like me. One was his thesis. Well, it might be useful to those who plagiarise and get doctorate or rank in Post-Graduation. Perish the thought !

Apart from the early pages of the book up to 60 pages, the rest of this 336-page book is just about himself — I, me and myself. From then on the appendices continue till page 128 and then part-2 with random thoughts on oil, what it is etc., not written in an interesting manner. Even the Iraq invasion of Kuwait, where he was working, was sketchy. I was very anxious where he touched that event but was disappointed. Too much of 'I and me' robbed him of giving the reader most interesting story.



Front cover of the book.

As for me the best part of the book was Volume II: On books and films beginning page 177 — ending page 289. I simply swallowed them because I had read all the three books he has reviewed in this part. They are: *The Guide*, *The Day of the Jackal* and *Savarkar*. I thought, he missed out on a very interesting denouement of *The Day of the Jackal* story by not mentioning how Jackal misses the shot at the President's head as the President at the exact moment bends his head to kiss a child !

Be that as it may, he mentions with a foot-note that 'this article was published in a local newspaper in...' I am sure, it is not this paper.

Now at the tail-end of the book is a show of his knowledge of certain sports and games. Being fond of playing Contract Bridge, which needs lot of brain-power, he begins to tell the reader 'What is Contract Bridge?' Then of Golf, Tennis and Cricket.

Curiously the biographical part of the book, which I had said ended on page 60, has ended with a never heard of manner in book writing. Of course, it might help those who are getting old in our city, like me. I do not know but it is best I quote the para ditto:

"As one gets older, the body needs more attention. Fortunately, there are very good doctors in Mysuru and I have annual check-up with these doctors, particularly Dr. Arun Srinivas (Cardiologist), Dr. G.S. Janardhan (Neurologist), Dr. M.R. Aiyappa (Consultant Physician) and Dentists Dr. Sujith Shetty and Charitra Shetty. Life continues slowly but steadily."

As I finished reading the book, skipping the chapters I mentioned above, I recalled the ultimate opinion about books expressed by Professor John Kenneth Galbraith of Harvard University, who was the American Ambassador in India during Kennedy era:

"Books can be broken broadly into two classes: Those written to please the reader and those written for the greater pleasure of the writer. Subject to numerous and distinguished exceptions, the second class is rightly suspect and especially if the writer himself appears in the story."

Going by this opinion, we should conclude that NOT every autobiography is suspect. But, this one? This is my consoling words to U.B. Acharya. His success is testimony to his brilliant brain and scholarship of his subject.

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PM Modi's website account hacked; Twitter investigates

New Delhi, Sept. 3 (UNI)- The Twitter account of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's personal website and mobile app was hacked early this morning, the social media giant has confirmed. Twitter said that it has taken "steps to secure the compromised account" and is "actively investigating" the situation.

The account reportedly sent out tweets asking its followers to donate to the PM National Relief Fund through Cryptocurrency. The account goes by the handle *narendramodi_in* and has 2.5 million followers and over 37,000 tweets since it was created in May 2011.

"We're aware of this activity and have taken steps to secure the compromised account. We are actively investigating the situation. At this time, we are not aware of additional accounts being impacted," a Twitter spokesperson said in a statement.

The last tweet from the account was on Aug. 31. The tweet has a quote of PM Modi from his monthly radio programme "Mann Ki Baat". Regular updates from the Prime Minister's speeches and other programmes are tweeted from *@narendramodi_in*

The incident comes after several Twitter accounts of prominent personalities were hacked in July. PM Modi's personal Twitter account, which was unaffected by this incident, has over 61 million followers. The account — *@narendramodi* — was created in January 2009. He uses Twitter extensively to reach out to people and share important information and updates.

Hongalli pipeline works cleared

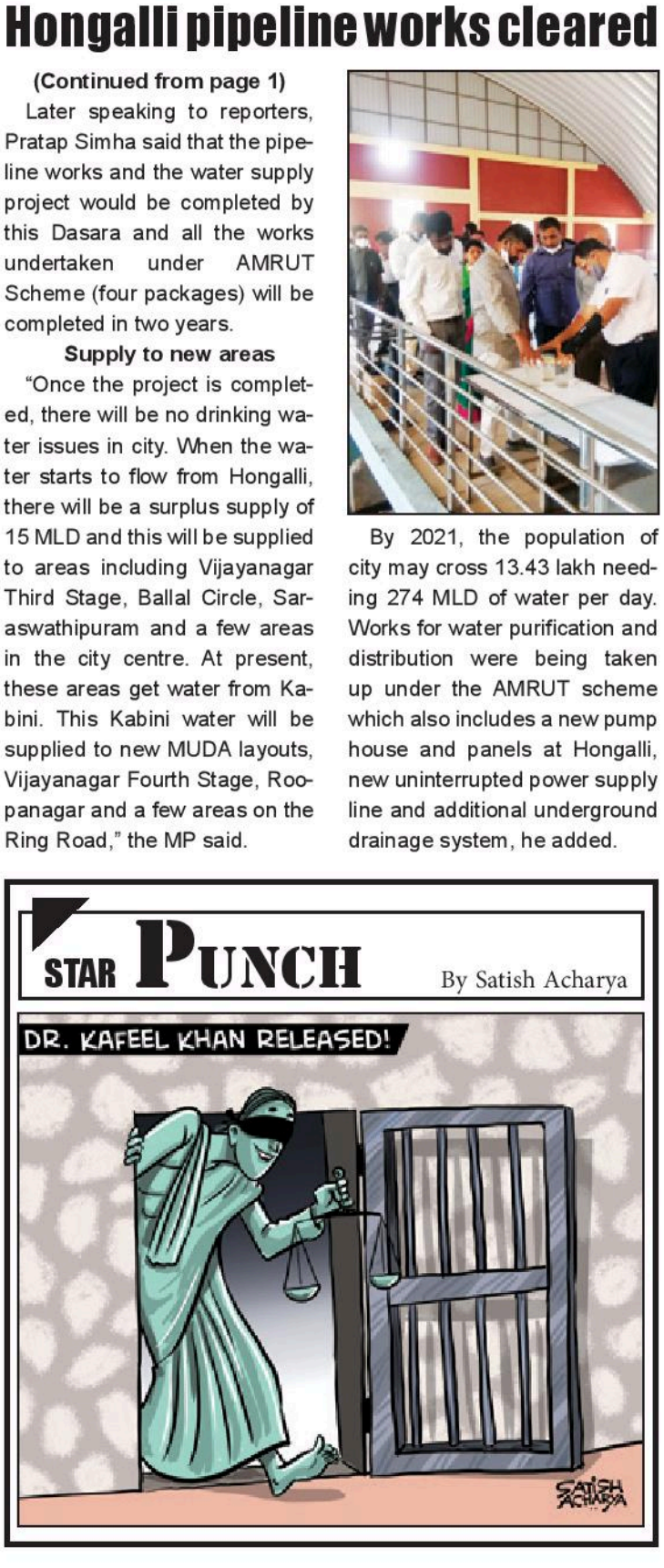
(Continued from page 1)

Later speaking to reporters, Pratap Simha said that the pipeline works and the water supply project would be completed by this Dasara and all the works undertaken under AMRUT Scheme (four packages) will be completed in two years.

Supply to new areas

"Once the project is completed, there will be no drinking water issues in city. When the water starts to flow from Hongalli, there will be a surplus supply of 15 MLD and this will be supplied to areas including Vijayanagar Third Stage, Ballal Circle, Saraswathipuram and a few areas in the city centre. At present, these areas get water from Kabini. This Kabini water will be supplied to new MUDA layouts, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, Roopanagar and a few areas on the Ring Road," the MP said.

By 2021, the population of city may cross 13.43 lakh needing 274 MLD of water per day. Works for water purification and distribution were being taken up under the AMRUT scheme which also includes a new pump house and panels at Hongalli, new uninterrupted power supply line and additional underground drainage system, he added.



District Minister collects Rs. 2.02 lakh; adopts Mysuru Zoo animals and birds

Mysuru, Sept. 3- Co-operation and District in-Charge Minister S.T. Somashekar was able to collect Rs. 2.02 lakh from residents of Sharada-Jnanakshi Layout for adoption of Mysuru Zoo animals and birds including one elephant, two peacocks, one Malabar Giant Squirrel and one Nilgiri Langur for a period of one year from July 24, 2020 to July 23, 2021.

District Minister S.T. Somashekar handed over the Demand Draft for Rs. 2.02 lakh collected from the layout residents to the Zoo Authorities, according to a press release.

Actor Sudeep visits Chamundi Temple

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (SSV)- Multi-lingual actor Sudeep visited the Chamundi Temple to have the *darshan* of Goddess Chamundeshwari this morning.

The actor, who celebrated his birthday yesterday, came to Mysuru and offered special prayers at the Temple.

Numerous fans, who had assembled at the front gate of the Temple to greet their hero, pushed each other to catch a glimpse of their favourite actor and the Police had a tough time in controlling the crowd.

After spending a few minutes inside the sanctum sanctorum, Sudeep left the temple. He also obliged his fans to take selfies on their mobile phones.

Dance Choreographers Assn. inauguration on Sept. 6

Mysuru Zilla Dance Choreographers and Dancers Association office-bearers seen during the release of poster this morning.

Mysuru, Sept.3 (PM&DM)- The newly formed Mysuru Zilla Dance Choreographers and Dancers Association will be inaugurated in the city on Sept. 6.

Announcing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here this morning, Association President Chamaraj said that former MLA M.K. Somashekar will inaugurate the newly formed association at 5.30 pm on Sept. 6 at Hotel Kalyani on Hebbal Ring road (Near Bharath Cancer Hospital) with MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev as the Guest of Honour.

Pointing out that the Association which was registered nearly two months ago has 185 members including 45 women members at present, he said that the association, having office at Gollarageri in Chamaraja Mohalla, has been formed for coming to the aid of choreographers and dancers, who are facing a lot of difficulties due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

For details, contact Mob: 98807-77121 or 80734-20412.

Association office-bearers Mysore Raju, Mahesh Jain, Vishwanath, Lakshmiprasad, Adarsh and others were present at the press meet.

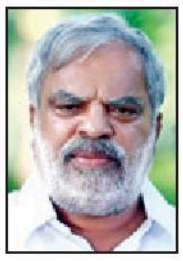
CPI(M) stages protest, seeks ration and financial support for poor families

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (PM&DM)- Accusing the Union Government of pursuing anti-people policies, members of CPI(M) (Communist Party of India- Marxist) staged a demonstration near the Deputy Commissioner's Office here this morning seeking ration and Rs.7,500 monthly financial assistance to all poor families for the next six months in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic.

They also urged for fulfilment of their 18-point charter of demands, which chiefly included free distribution of 10 kg food grains to every needy family for the next six months, extension of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNRGS) guaranteeing a minimum of 200 days of work and wages a year, repeal of amendments made to APMC and Essential Goods Acts, revival of closed factories, immediate relief to all flood victims of the district and awarding degree to final year students based on the assessment of their performance in the previous semesters, among others.

Organisation office-bearers K. Basavaraj,J. Jayaram, Jagannath, Vijaykumar, Jagadish and others took part in the protest.

Former Bhadravathi MLA Appajigowda passes away



Shivamogga, Sept. 3- Senior JD(S) leader and former Bhadravathi MLA M.J. Appajigowda passed away at a Shivamogga Hospital late on Wednesday evening. He was 69. He had reportedly tested positive for Coronavirus and was admitted to the Hospital a few days ago after developing chest pain.

Appajigowda, a three-time MLA was elected on a JD(S) ticket in 2013 and lost the Assembly polls in 2018. Earlier, he was twice elected as an independent candidate.

Recently, two former MLAs- C. Guruswamy (Chamarajanagar) and Raja Madanagopal Nayak (Raichur) also died reportedly due to the pandemic.

ABVP demands criminal action against drug peddlers, holds dharna

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (PM&DM)- With the Norcotics Control Bureau (NCB) unearthing the link between Kannada Film Industry and drug supply network, Akhila Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) staged a demonstration near the Deputy Commissioner's Office here this morning seeking total crackdown on drug mafia and criminal action against drug peddlers.

Expressing concern over drug menace among youths, the protestors wanted the Government for stringent action against those found supplying drugs to school and college students.

They also urged for full freedom to the Police Department for cracking down on drug mafia and thus bring the devastating menace to an end in the interest of the nation's health and prosperity.

ABVP Secretary Mallappa, Prasanna Kumar, Sriram, Rakesh, Sharath, Chiranth, Rachana, Nagashri and others were present.

Illegal sheds and huts demolished

Mysuru, Sept. 3 - The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) authorities razed several illegal sheds and huts near Lalithadripura village in the taluk yesterday.

MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh said that MUDA had acquired over 15 to 19 acre land, which had been given to Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation for construction of Ashraya Houses. Over 15 illegal sheds and small huts had been constructed in Survey numbers 16/1, 16/2, 16/3, 17, 18/2, 18/3 and 18/4 of Lalithadripura village worth more than Rs. 10 crore. All illegal structures have been now demolished and the property has been handed over to Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) so that the possession of the property could be handed over to Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation.

The operation was carried out in the presence of heavy security provided by Mysuru Rural Police officials and other Police force. MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh, Superintendent Engineer Shankar, Zonal officers, Junior and Assistant Engineers and other staff members of MUDA were present during the operation, according to a press release.

Mysuru Literature Festival-2020

Virtual sessions tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 3- The fourth edition of Mysuru Literature Festival-2020 organised by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 being held virtually on every weekend from Aug. 14, will conclude on Sept. 5. This edition has a wide range of authors and speakers as Panellists. Today, *SOM* features tomorrow's Panellist Venu Rajamony and Moderator Nitin Pai.

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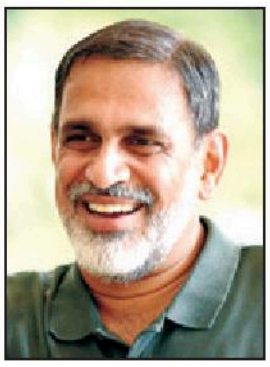
PANEL: **Turning Diplomatic Experience Into Chronicles – 'Keynote Address'**

Venu Rajamony, India's Ambassador to the Netherlands (Panellist)



Ambassador Venu Rajamony has a 34-year career in diplomacy and international affairs. He has extensive experience in government relations, advocacy, communication, media relations, and outreach to corporates, civil society and public. Rajamony has lived and worked in India, the US, Europe, China and UAE. He is currently the Ambassador of India to the Kingdom of the Netherlands (since June 8, 2017). He is the Permanent Representative of India to the Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and is also responsible for India's relations with the International Court of Justice, the Permanent Court of Arbitration and other legal institutions in The Hague.

He has authored three books: *India and The Netherlands - Past, Present & Future; What We Can Learn From The Dutch - Rebuilding Kerala Post 2018 Floods; India and the UAE - In Celebration of a Legendary Friendship.* His monograph — *India-China-U.S. Triangle: A 'Soft' Balance of Power System in the Making* — is widely cited. Rajamony is passionate about social impact and is eager to contribute to making the world a better place for the disadvantaged and underprivileged.

Nitin Pai (Moderator)

Nitin Pai is the Co-Founder and Director of the Takshashila Institution, an independent centre for research and education in public policy. His current research includes the geopolitics of the Indo-Pacific; defence economics and the politics of radically networked societies. He teaches international relations and public policy at Takshashila's graduate programmes. Pai's regular columns appear in *Mint, Deccan Herald* and *ThePrint*. He is the Co-Editor of "India's Marathon - Reshaping the Post-Pandemic World Order" a collection of essays by some of India's next generation scholars. He was a gold medalist from the National University of Singapore's Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, an undergraduate scholar at Nanyang Technological University, and an alum of National College, Bengaluru. Before founding Takshashila, he spent more than a decade at the Singapore Government as a policymaker in the technology sector.

Register at: **http://www.mysuruliteraturefestival.com/registration/**
Instructions will be sent to registered e-mail address 24 hours before each panel starts and a reminder 1 hour before it starts.

Watch on YouTube at: **www.youtube.com/c/MysuruLiteratureFestival**

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Dr. Pulikeshi Y. Shetteppanavar felicitated

The staff of Post Graduate Sports Council (PGCS), Manasagangothri, recently felicitated Dr. Pulikeshi Y. Shetteppanavar, Deputy Director, Physical Education, PGCS, who superannuated from service on Aug. 31. Seen in the picture are Dr. Hemalatha, PGSC President Prof. G. Venkatesh Kumar, Secretary Ravi, Members Prof. Nagaraj, Prof. Sannappa, Prof. Basavarajappa, Prof. Madesh, Devika, Prof. Rangaraj and others.

Decoding Mythology

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

When Shiva used His Trident

Some of the oldest and most spectacular images of Shiva are found in Elephanta and Ellora, cave temples built by Chalukyas and Rashtrakutas roughly 1,500 years ago, when a new form of Hinduism, based on Puranas and Hindu trinity began overshadowing the old Vedic and Buddhist ways. Amongst these Shiva images, are one of him impaling an asura with his trident. It is one of the rare occasions where Shiva uses his trident in a battle against an asura. This asura is called Andhaka or the asura of darkness. He is also considered a 'son' of Shiva.

It is said that once, in a spirit of play, Parvati covered Shiva's eyes with her palms. This plunged the whole world into darkness, forcing Shiva to open his third eye, so that the Sun's light could be restored. With Shiva's third eye blazing, Parvati's palms began to sweat. From that sweat, emerged a child. Since the child was born in darkness, he came to be known as Andhaka. He was adopted and raised by the Asuras.

Like all Asuras, Andhaka did tapasya and called upon Brahma to get power. He wanted this power to defeat the Devas. Like all Asuras, he sought immortality. But he was told he shall never achieve this, he settled for a boon that he would only die if he coveted his own mother. But there was a problem. He did not realise he was adopted. That he was son of Shiva-Shakti and not his Asura foster parents. Brahma granted this boon.

Armed with his boon that made him invincible to all weapons, Andhaka raised a great army and defeated the Devas in Swarga and conquered the three worlds. He created havoc everywhere. He reaches Kailasa, determined to become Master of Kailasa too.

But then he sees Parvati, and is consumed with desire for her. To protect Parvati, Vishnu takes her form, multiplying a thousand-fold to confuse Andhaka. Finally, Shiva challenges Andhaka to battle. In the battle, Shiva plunges his trident into Andhaka. Andhaka has the power to replicate himself from each drop of his blood. Hence, Shiva raises him on his trident and begins to bleed him dry. Every drop of Andhaka's blood, which falls on the ground, is consumed by Parvati who takes the form of Kali, and her companions, the yoginis. In a way, Andhaka is squeezed off every drop of his blood.

In Tantric scriptures, it is said that a child gets its blood from its mother and bones from its father. Since he coveted his own mother sexually, Andhaka loses all that his mother gave him: his blood. And, he becomes a shrivelled skeletal creature. Andhaka apologises to Shiva. He starts singing praises of Shiva from atop the trident. Shiva feels sorry for him. So, Shiva transforms him into a sage called Bhringi. Bhringi is visualised as a skeleton, without flesh and blood, one who finally realised that Shiva-Shakti are one.

Andhaka's story is about desire and being blinded by desire, for he is born of desire, in darkness. The images in Elephanta and Ellora are dramatic and fierce, and simultaneously full of grace. It is a rare image, as Shiva is more popularly shown either meditating or in the company of his wife. He transforms into Bhairava or Virabhadra to express violence. Rarely, he does so as Shiva.

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Is a true comprehensive Solid Waste Management plan missing?

By R. Chandra Prakash

In Swachh Survekshan 2020 Indore has been declared as India's Cleanest City for the fourth consecutive time. Mysuru is now ranked cleanest among the middle category population (3 to 10 lakh) cities.

It is matter of great concern for Mysuru. A city which was ranked first among all the big cities is now considered under a lower category of cities. With a long history of efficient municipal management and huge investments made under JnNURM and several other Central and State civic projects, the city is gradually losing its position among the top cleanest cities. The main reason for this degradation could be a lack of a true comprehensive Solid Waste Management (SWM) plan.

Fractured boundaries

Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) plans for managing the problem of solid waste generated within its municipal boundaries. And as per the SWM rules it is justified in doing so. However, city of Mysuru exists beyond the municipal boundaries. Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) develops residential layouts and for several decades such layouts remain within the administration of MUDA.

These layouts are not part of the municipal wards. Is the solid waste generated by these MUDA layouts, taken into account by the MCC's assessment of total SWM? Since in future these MUDA layouts will be handed over to MCC, are they counted for the long-term SWM Plan?

Second, Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board (KIADB) has liberally permitted construction of residential complexes on industrial sites and these residential sites are increasing by the day. Does the solid waste of these residential sites constitute part of MCC's SWM plan?

Third, hundreds of private residential layouts have sprung up. Who are in charge of the SWM these private residential layouts — if not in the short run, at least in the long run?

And finally, the city's boundaries are skewed in such a way that the areas within the administrative jurisdiction of Srirangapatna Mandya district are included. A large number of residential layouts have been developed on these twilight boundaries. These residents might find it convenient to arrange for dumping of their solid wastes into the Mysuru city areas as it would be most convenient way of disposal! Are these producers of waste part of city's SWM plan?

Sewage Farm woes

The recent hullaballoo was about the stench emanating from the mountains of treated/ untreated solid wastes in Vidyaranyapuram Sewage Farm and inefficient functioning of the Excel plant. Several first-aid type of solutions like spraying of chemicals etc. have failed miserably.

Non functional zero-waste units established around the city have only added to the load on Sewage Farm. It is in this context that Rayanakere project has become central issue of discussion. As per the project proposal, this new project will only further enhance the stench from Sewage Farm.

Rayanakere project - serious limitations

In February, 2018 SMS Envocare Limited, Pune, submitted a report on SWM project to be located at Rayanakere on H.D. Kote Road. State-level Environment Assessment Authority had initiated this project proposal in August, 2016 under Swachh Bharat Mission. Original Terms of Reference was for processing 100 tonnes per day of waste and the total cost was Rs.13.96 crore.

This changed to 150 tonnes per day processing and Rs.16.16 crore. This project would use only 6.6 acres of land in the MCC's 110 acres in Rayanakere. This project was based on the premise that at that point of time there was a untreated solid waste of 250 tonnes per day after using available facilities and this new proposal would take care of 150 tonnes per day. The process was of two types — 90 tonnes per day by Windrow Composting and 60 tonnes per day by Manual Segregation Plant. On scrutiny, following shortcomings are observed in this project:

1. Original Terms of Reference 18 stated "Submit the details of sanitary landfill site impermeability and whether it would be lined, if so details thereof." As compliance to this, the report stated "Not applicable as sanitary landfill is not required. Proposed project will only waste processing facility. Inert waste will be sent to existing landfill of Vidyaranyapuram."

The report reiterates this point at several other places as well in the schematic design of the process of SWM. Therefore, the woes of Vidyaranyapuram dump are going to increase and will not decrease even if Rayanakere project comes up.

2. It will collect pre-segregated solid waste from only 18 out of MCC 65 wards (Ward Numbers 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 32, 33 and 35).

3. As per Original Terms of Reference, "Location of the project area should not be within 500 meters of a State Highway or a National Highway." However, the project is said to be only 600 meters North West of State Highway 33 — the Manandavadi Road.

4. As per Original Terms of Reference, an NOC must be obtained from local or nearest airport within 20 kms and any flight funnel restrictions. But Mysore Airport is 3.0 km away from the site. This is certainly going to cause huge problem in future as there is every chance of big birds gathering around in very large numbers. Though the claimed distance is only 3 kms, aerial distance might be still less. And as the Airport is planning an expansion for facilitating landing of big planes, this location is sure to cause problems.

Kesare project

In February 2018, the SMS Envocare Limited also submitted a report on SWM Project to be located at Kesare. The total capacity was to be 200 tonnes per day consisting **1.** Windrow Composting - 96 tonnes per day. **2.** Reuse derived fuel plant - 43 tonnes per day. **3.** Plastic Recycling Plant - 21 tonnes per day. **4.** Sanitary landfilling facility - 40 tonnes per day.

This project was to collect pre-segregated solid waste from 24 wards (Ward Numbers: 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 59, 60, 61). However, this project proposed to have its own landfilling facility.

The main limitation could be that it was only 0.59 km away from Kesare village. Even though it fulfilled the minimum 0.50 km Original Terms of Reference limit, it might cause problem when the village expands in future.

Is comprehensive SWM plan missing?

1. From the information available, we see that in 2018, project reports were submitted for two SWM plants — 150 tonnes per day at Rayanakere and 200 tonnes per day at Kesare. There is a mention in these reports that MCC plans to upgrade the SWM facility at Vidyaranyapuram. However, the details of this are not available. Will such upgradation address the woes of residents of Vidyaranyapuram?

2. As the Rayanakere Plant plans to shift its inorganic wastes to the landfill facility at Vidyaranyapuram, which is in itself the crux of the problem at present, there is apprehension that situation may worsen for the residents around sewage farm in the future.

3. There is lack of coordination between MUDA, KIADB and the MCC with regard to SWM plans. The reports on Rayanakere and Kesare have stated that based on the population growth projections, there will be around 756 tonnes per day waste by 2022. But do these projections include all the three areas in question?

4. Then, the issue of fast growing residential areas in land abutting the city boundaries but under the jurisdiction of the Mandya district. Any time the city boundaries may have to be redrawn and these residential areas might become part of the city. Are they included in the SWM projections?

5. Recent public debate was for tendering the present and future SWM to a firm with responsibility of disposing of legacy waste in huge dumps in the Vidyaranyapuram SWM unit. Where will they be dumped? Are the residents of villages around such dumping areas taken into confidence?

Above and many more issues in the city's SWM need clarification. This is possible only though a truly Comprehensive SWM plan. But is there a Comprehensive SWM plan for Mysuru?

WORD OF THE DAY

Kindred

Pronunciation: KIN-drud.
Meaning: Of a similar nature or character : like; of the same ancestry.

Origin: If you believe that advice and relatives are inseparable, the etymology of kindred will prove you right. Kindred comes from a combination of kin and the Old English word ræden ("condition"), which itself comes from the verb rædan, meaning "to advise." Kindred entered English as a noun first during the Middle Ages. That noun, which can refer to a group of related individuals or to one's own relatives, gave rise to the adjective kindred in the 14th century.
Example: "This study also highlights how identifying with the personality traits of a musician who feels like a kindred spirit can have positive psychological benefits for the listener...." — Christopher Bergland

THE ODD WORD

Kakidrosis

Body odour.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Keep your eyes peeled

Meaning: To be watchful; alert. To pay careful attention to something.

Origin: There are two versions of this phrase. One version uses the word "peeled" at the end, while the other uses the word "skinned." Both forms convey the same idea: Figuratively removing the skin of one's eyes in order to pay better attention.
So, what is the origin of the phrase keep your eyes peeled? It sounds like both versions derived from the practice of peeling/skinning foods before eating them. For example, a person usually peels a banana before consuming it. The purpose of the peeling it is to "open" it up. Thus, a metaphor must have eventually formed from this practice. Just as someone removes the skin of a fruit of vegetable to "open" them up, so too someone who is "keeping their eyes peeled" is figuratively removing the skin of their eyelids to keep them open. While this may sound plausible, this is merely speculation for how it originated.
With that out of the way, let's talk about how old this phrase is. Both versions of the idiom appear as early as the 19th century. Let's look at two examples. First, the version with the word "skinned" is seen in an old book from 1832:
"'Keep your eyes skinned now,' said the old trapper."

QUOTE BOX

Acting is like peeling an onion. You have to peel away each layer to reveal another. **—Juliette Binoche**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus puzzle:

Answer : Side show.

SUDOKU

			6		9	5	7	
8	9						3	4
						1		
2	4		1		3			
			7		8		9	1
		2						
4	8						2	5
	6	3	2		7			

Answer to previous puzzle

9	7	8	6	1	4	5	2	3
1	3	4	5	9	2	8	6	7
5	6	2	8	7	3	4	9	1
8	1	3	9	4	6	7	5	2
6	9	5	7	2	1	3	4	8
4	2	7	3	5	8	9	1	6
2	4	9	1	8	7	6	3	5
3	8	1	4	6	5	2	7	9
7	5	6	2	3	9	1	8	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Ruth or Didrickson
5 Wyatt _____ : the famous sheriff of Dodge City
9 Electrical unit, in short
12 "Orinoco Flow" singer
13 Pertaining to wings
14 __ Francisco : river of Brazil?
15 Light melodies
16 Trustworthy
18 Hail, snow and rain
20 Italian noble family
21 Lubricates
24 Dirty or filthy
27 Mystifying
31 Also, in addition
32 A feudal slave
33 Scottish river
34 Herman Melville's ___ Dick
35 Before
36 Atlantic sea
38 Footwear
41 In short, it is a measure of your car speed
42 Screwball or eccentric person
44 Pillages or loots
48 Capital of Finland
52 Group of three
53 French season
54 Oddball; an eccentric person
55 Merge, blend or combine
56 Pad of loose material
57 Oliver Hardy's partner ___ Laurel
58 Tools used by a shoemaker

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

T	E	M	P	■	P	R	Y	■	B	L	E	D
D	O	U	R	■	A	A	A	■	L	I	A	R
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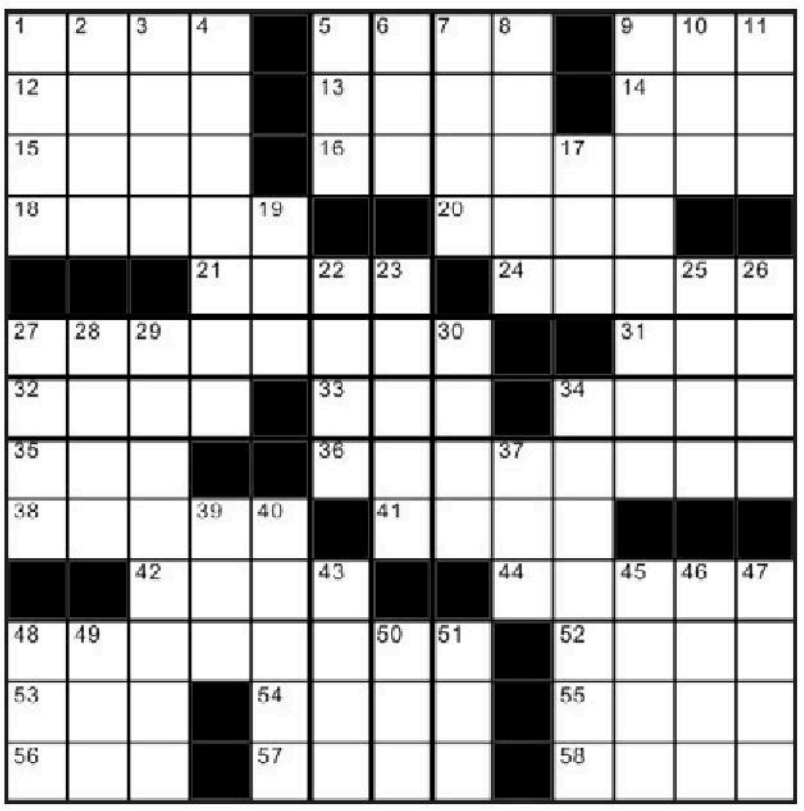
■	■	■	S	I	S	■	H	A	G	G	L	E
S	T	R	A	P	■	E	T	C	H	■	■	■
L	A	U	D	■	S	K	I	T	T	L	E	S
A	T	N	■	S	P	I	N	S	■	I	R	E
T	A	G	A	L	O	N	G	■	W	R	A	P
■	■	■	B	O	R	G	■	B	R	E	S	T
M	I	N	U	E	T	■	L	I	A	■	■	■
A	D	E	S	■	I	R	O	N	S	O	U	T
L	O	N	E	■	N	A	N	■	S	E	M	I
A	L	E	S	■	G	A	G	■	E	D	A	M

DOWN
1 "Base" anagram for an Indian river?
2 Mr. Kapoor of "Beta" fame
3 Cattle shed
4 Slacken, reduce the pressure (4,3)
5 Auditory organ
6 Brewed liquor
7 Breathing sound
8 Form of optical glass
9 Fireproofing stuff
10 ___ de mer (seasickness)
11 Author of The Raven
17 Picnicked
19 The sesame plant
22 Stoppers
23 Go furtively
25 Weeps or cries
26 Spinning toy (2-2)
27 Bombay Suburban Electric Supply, in short?
28 "Air" as prefix
29 Covered with spots
30 Harmful bacterium
34 ___ Gandhi : Father of the Nation?
37 Global Positioning Sys.
39 Boxing results, abbr.
40 Makes dirty; smears or stains with dirt
43 Tie securely
45 Working party
46 Slaughter or take life of
47 Pieces of turf
48 Cut with an axe
49 Estimated Time of Arr.
50 Hawaiian acacia
51 Somewhere to stay when you're out?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

TC FUXC UM V WQWCMH QR YUIHQZA TYCZC JYVMOC

UI IQ IDCCLCL ND HYVH TC SCOUM HQ ICC HYC DZCICMH

QMFA TYCM UH UI VFZCVLA LUIVDDCVZUMO.

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The sole advantage of power is that you can do more good.

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Plea to clean up garbage dumping spot at Kesare

Garbage dumping spot at Kuri Mandi Circle, near the auto stand at Kesare, is emanating foul smell besides attracting disease spreading flies. Residents have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to get the place cleaned at the earliest.

Overflowing manhole: A permanent solution needed at Vijayanagar

Sewage water is overflowing from a clogged manhole at the 12th Cross in Vijayanagar 1st Stage causing a lot of problems to the residents who allege that this problem exists since several years despite lodging numerous complaints. The overflowing sewage water becomes stagnant at a distance and is emanating foul smell besides becoming a perfect breeding place for mosquitoes. The residents have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to provide a permanent solution to the problem.

Stray dog menace at Gokulam needs to be controlled

Stray dog menace has increased in Gokulam 3rd Stage with a pack of about 12 dogs always found roaming on the 12th Cross and its surroundings. These dogs bark continuously during nights giving sleepless nights to the residents, especially senior citizens and children, besides chasing vehicles very dangerously. The residents have urged the authorities concerned to take action.

MUDA reclaims lands

Mysuru, Sept. 3- In yet another reclamation drive in recent days, MUDA (Mysuru Urban Development Authority) officials last week reclaimed 24 guntas of land at Hanchya village in the taluk, which was usurped by land sharks after creating fake documents.

MUDA had acquired 24 guntas of land coming under Survey Nos. 274/1 and 274/2 of Hanchya village for forming a residential layout, after paying compensation to the land owners. But some landsharks had usurped the said land after creating fake documents and a building was also built on the land. But MUDA authorities upon coming to know of it, razed down the structure and reclaimed the land that is currently valued at about Rs.15 crore.

In another operation, MUDA reclaimed prime land worth crores of rupees in Vijayanagar Second Stage. The city's Maadeshwara Housing Co-operative Society had developed 13 sites and constructed three buildings unauthorisedly on a parcel of land belonging to MUDA coming under Survey Nos.120 and 121/2 of Hinkal village, that forms part of Vijayanagar Second Stage. The authorities, upon coming to know of it, reclaimed the land and erected a board at the site mentioning that the land belonged to MUDA.

Also, notices have been served to the occupants of the three buildings asking them to pay a monthly rent of Rs.3 lakh to MUDA commencing from Sept. 1, 2020, according to MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh.

The operation was carried out by MUDA Superintending Engineer (SE) B.S. Shankar, Assistant Engineer (AE) Puttanagaraj, Zonal Officer H.P. Shivanna and other officials.

Inner Wheel Club of Mysore Central
hands over cattle to women in distress

Mysuru, Sept. 3 (MTY&SD)- Members of Inner Wheel Club of Mysore Central on Aug. 31 distributed cows and calves to four women who were in financial distress due to lockdown and subsequent poor economic condition in the region. Four women, Javaramma, 70, Kendamma, 37, Nanjamma, 35 and Nanjammanni, 33, all residents of Chikkereyuru village in H.D. Kote taluk, are the beneficiaries.

Each cow with calf of worth Rs. 25,000 would provide 4 to 5 litres of milk per day. All these four women now can earn some money for their livelihood by selling the milk. Club members also distributed fodder and supplementary feeds to those cattle that would be sufficient for a period of one month.

Club members offered puja to the cattle at the residences of the beneficiaries and welcomed them to their homes in a traditional manner.

Speaking on the occasion, Club President Kavitha Vinod said, "Every year, we have been organising such programmes to help those in distress. We heard that, from the last four-five months, these four women, who are single parents, were having tough time due to lockdown and subsequent poor economic condition in the region. All our Club members enthusiastically agreed to lend helping hand. Hence, we purchased these four cows with calves of worth Rs. 25,000 each and now they have been distributed to these villagers."

Club Secretary Lakshmi Arun, Vice-President Sandhya Dinesh, former President Purnima Vishwanath, Pushpa Lokesh and others were present.

Animal adoption at city Zoo

Mysuru, Sept. 3- The Following persons/ institutions have adopted the animals of Mysuru Zoo under its 'Adoption of Animals' scheme by paying the adoption fee: Anirudh Basavraj Paramshetti, Belagavi - Black Panther and Indian Leopard - Rs.70,000; Lions Club of Mysore Palace City and Geonet Consultant, Mysuru - Lion - Rs.1,00,000; Lions Club of Mysore - Nisarga and Mayuri, Mysuru - Lion - Rs.1,00,000; Lion Dr. G.A. Ramesh MJF, District Governor, Lions Club International District - Elephant - Rs.1,75,000, according to a press release from the Zoo.

VIRTUAL EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 4)

Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015: 4th Edition of Mysuru Literature Festival (A Virtual Series), keynote address by India's Ambassador to Netherlands Venu Rajamony, Takshashila Institution-Bengaluru Director Nitin Pai will be in conversation *[www.youtube.com/c/MysuruLiteratureFestival]*, **7 pm.**

Cresta School of Management, Science and Arts: 'Arambh 2020' virtual interdisciplinary induction programme for its 1st year students, talk on 'Fitness Mantra' by Pavi Padukone, **10.30 am to 11.30 am;** Virtual Game, **11.35 am to 11.45 am;** 'Cresta4You' by Sambhav Shah, **11.45 am to 12.45 am;** 'Healthy Body basics' by Dr. Aparna Unny, **1.45 pm to 2.45 pm;** Virtual Tour - Let's Talk Shop, *[facebook.com/crestacollege/]*, **3 pm to 4 pm.**

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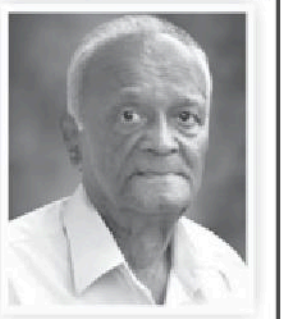

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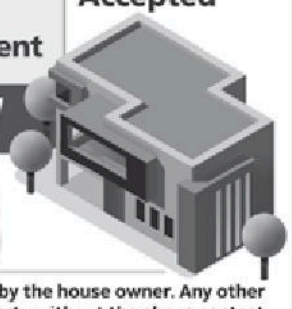

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